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Attorney General McGraw Sues David Vincent, Individually and Doing Business as Vincent's Athletic Club

Today, Attorney General Darrell V. McGraw, Jr., announced that he had filed a lawsuit against David Vincent, individually and doing business as Vincent's Athletic Club, for operating without a business license, in violation of W. Va. Code § 11-12-3. In addition, Vincent is in violation of a legislative rule on health spas. Pursuant to the legislative rule on health spas, Title 142, Series 13, all health spas are required to register with the West Virginia Attorney General's Office as a health spa. The health spa must also provide the Attorney General's office copies of its current business registration certificate, and a valid membership contract. Finally, all health spas that have been in business less than 3 years, must post a \$50,000 surety bond with the Attorney General's office.

Vincent's Athletic Club, which is located at 340 Oyler Avenue, Oak Hill, West Virginia, failed to register as a health spa, despite numerous requests to do so by the Attorney General's office. Specifically, David Vincent, the owner of Vincent's Athletic Club, was sent seven letters requesting that he register his business. "It is simply outrageous that this business would not follow simple rules and that these litigious actions must be taken," said Attorney General McGraw.

In his complaint, McGraw asked that Vincent be preliminarily enjoined from operating as a health spa until he obtains a business license and complies with the Health Spa Rule.

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